# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## **FISCAL NOTE**

HB 2758 - SB 2787

February 27, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a position within the General Assembly for a Legislative Ombudsman, to assist members with dispute resolution and conflict management. Establishes that the Speakers of the Senate and House of Representatives will appoint and determine the compensation of the Ombudsman.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase State Expenditures - \$137,300/FY20-21 \$132,300/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

### Assumptions:

- According to Legislative Administration, dispute resolution practitioner services are performed by a licensed attorney. One Legislative Attorney 3 will be hired to fill the ombudsmen position.
- A recurring increase in state expenditures, beginning in FY20-21, of \$132,338 (\$107,857 salary + \$24,481 benefits).
- A one-time increase in state expenditures in FY20-21 of \$5,000 for computer, telephone, and office equipment.
- A total increase in state expenditures in FY20-21 for the Ombudsman position of \$137,338 (\$132,338 recurring + \$5,000 one-time).
- A recurring increase in state expenditures of \$132,338 in FY21-22 and subsequent years.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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